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Third

Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2020

A woman of Samaria
came to draw water.
Jesus said to her,
"Give me a drink."

John 4:7



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WATER FOR OTHERS

The story of Jesus and the Samaritan woman, like the passage from Exodus, speaks of tired and thirsty people. Jesus is tired and thirsty from his journey. The Samaritan woman is not only tired of the difficult chore of obtaining water, but is thirsty for something more. Jesus presents himself as living water for her, able to satisfy a deeper thirst in her heart. Through his patience and compassion, he opens a new wellspring of God's sustenance for her.

How might we, like Jesus, be water for others in our thirsty world? We can take some cues from Jesus here. Jesus crossed boundaries of gender, ethnicity, and religious division. Jesus began in vulnerability, in need of hospitality from a stranger. His was a non-threatening, compassionate presence. Jesus did not begin by speaking about himself or God, but entered into ordinary conversation with her. He first attended to her practical realities and concerns, which led to deeper dialogue. Perhaps we have opportunities to follow Jesus' example.

Living God's Word

Jesus is always ready to speak the truth about each of us and pour divine love into our hearts. Is your heart hardened, are your ears closed to the whole truth? Are you sharing the living water that you have received?

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

March 16 ~ March 22

Mon.	8:30am	Herita Altamirano (L)
Tues.	8:30am	Pat Cauterucci †
Wed.	8:30am	Lou Haughney †
Thurs.	8:30am	Robert Colaizzi †
Fri.	6:30am	Albie Romeo †
	8:30am	—
Sat.	8:30am	Sean Browne †
	5:00pm	Sal Balistreri †
Sun.	5:00pm	Robert Xu †

Rest in Peace

Albert Nuti & Edward McNab

Remember in your prayers the people in our parish community who are sick, awaiting surgery, recovering or homebound: Barbara Peters, Pilarita Alvarez, Don Rojas, Esther Hilferty, Bill Eppler, Sherrie Bayer, Patricia Snowden, Alma Brennan, Laurette Hollywood, Bob McCormick, George & Grace Wasmer, Peggy Saunders, Carmen Esquivel, and their caregivers.

Morning Lenten prayer:

There is a 6:30am prayer service each morning in the chapel that includes the daily Mass readings, a reflection, prayers of the faithful and a bit more. The service was started more than 17 years ago at St. Charles and is part of a long tradition in starting the day with the Lord. Stop by the chapel some morning—you'll find that it's a great way start to your day.


STATIONS OF THE CROSS
During Lent

Fridays in Church, 9:00am

NO EVENING STATIONS IN THE GROTTA
"The Light is on for You"
Reconciliation every Wednesday evening

6:30pm to 7:30pm

and

Saturday afternoon at 3:30 to 4:00pm

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

During this time in which concerns of flu and viruses are heightened, the following steps will be implemented at St. Charles and at St. Matthias.

The holy water & baptismal fonts will be empty for the foreseeable future.

The offering of the Cup will be suspended.

We are recommending that people refrain from holding hands during the Our Father, offering the Sign of Peace "via handshake," and receiving the Eucharist on the tongue.

Let us keep in our prayers all in our community that are impaired by the virus, and the health care workers who are in the front lines trying to stem the spread of the Coronavirus.



For the next two weeks parish offices will be closed, and all activities will cease, except for Sacramental practices. Staff will be available from 9:00am to 4:30pm via email or phone. Our parish email is parishoffice@stcharlesparish.org. The parish telephone number is (650)591-7349 - please leave a message when you call and your call will be answered as quickly as possible. Also, extensions/emails are listed on the back of the Sunday bulletin and on our website at www.stcharlesparish.org.


CATHOLIC TV MASS

Each Sunday a Catholic TV Mass is aired on a number of TV channels throughout the Bay Area Dioceses, offered by Monsignor Harry Schlitt and Father Dave Ghiorso. The Catholic TV Mass focuses on our Catholic community for those who are homebound, residing in assisted living, hospitalized or imprisoned and unable to attend Mass at their parish church.

You may find these Masses in the San Francisco Area each Sunday on KTSF (CH 26) at 6:00am, or KOFY (CH 13) at 6:00am or online any time at FatherHarry.org.

St. Charles Scripture Camp 2020 Is Looking for Help

We have a few volunteers for the Directing Group of Scripture Camp 2020. However, **we still need a few more** to get **Rocky Railway** on the rails and out of the station! The Director for the last three years wants to help the new Directing Forces to get Camp organized. Please consider supporting our campers and Junior Leaders so that the Camp can leave the station! Be an engine that can - and help lead Scripture Camp! **Time is running out** - Hearing a whistle even if distant, please contact Alison at scripturecamp@stcharlesparish.org.

Support for the Directing Group abounds!

Third Sunday of Lent

"But whoever drinks the water I give, will never be thirsty." Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation? If you think Jesus may be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (650) 591-7349 or email: pastor@stcharlesparish.org.

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Psalm 95).



The shamrock was used by St. Patrick as a metaphor for Christianity. The three-leaved sprig represented the Holy Trinity: The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit. The shamrock has since become an iconic symbol of Ireland. Beginning in the early 18th century, people started to wear a shamrock to commemorate St. Patrick's Feast Day. The day was observed only as a minor religious holy day, mainly in Ireland. It was decided that March 17th would be the date to honor him, as this was believed to be the day on which he died.

Prayer to St. Patrick

God our Father, you sent Saint Patrick to preach your glory to the people of Ireland. By the help of his prayers, may all Christians proclaim your love to all men. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Mercy High School
Tools for School

June 15 - July 10, 2020 - 8:30am - 3:00pm

Summer is just around the corner! **Mercy High School Burlingame** hosts **Tools for School**, a unique summer program tailored for incoming **6th, 7th and 8th grade girls**. With a long tradition of excellence in girl's education, Mercy offers a balanced mix of visual and performing arts classes, academic skills-building, and weekly educational field trips. Students will experience new activities, explore new topics, and visit exciting Bay Area attractions.

Tools for School helps to build a foundation of inquiry and love of learning, preparing students to develop their passions in high school. Interested families can learn more about classes, field trips, dates and cost on our website, www.mercyhsb.com/toolsforschool.

Men's Club Golf Bus Trip, April 24th, 2020,
Redwood Canyon in Castro Valley

\$140 includes golf tournament, lunch, refreshments, and Prizes! For more detail and to sign up (*4some, 2some or individual*) contacts are: Joe Dessinger (Jdessinger16@aol.com/650-576-8198) or Mike Ramey (mjramey@comcast.net/925-922-1604).

Mexico Mission 2020
We are looking for adults to join our trip!
No experience is necessary!
Trip dates are June 15 to June 21.

Contact Carlos
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 text or call 650-520-3725.


**SAINT JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF
 THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

March 19

Joseph, someone once joked, was indeed the perfect husband: the only major character in Jesus' story who never utters a word! But the Gospel recounts and the liturgy celebrates his silent witness of faith-filled deeds: *"With a husband's love he cherished Mary, the Virgin Mother of God; with fatherly care he watched over Jesus"* (*Preface of Saint Joseph, Sacramentary*). Catholic devotion, therefore, hails him as patron-protector of the universal Church. Some cultures set a festive *"Saint Joseph's Table,"* welcoming the poor and strangers to feast with family and friends. Tradition keeps today as the anniversary of his death, which we presume was peaceful, with Jesus and Mary present. Thus, Catholics invoke Joseph as Patron of a Happy Death. Descended from David's house, which God finished "building" through Joseph's provision of a home for Mary and Jesus, he was, fittingly, a carpenter by trade; thus, patron of workers. Spring, nature's rebirth, begins between his feast and Annunciation (March 25), appropriately, since Joseph's silent obedience and Mary's *"Let it be done to me according to your word"* (*Luke 1:38*) usher in humanity's spiritual rebirth.

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St. Charles Church

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday evening vigil, 5:00pm

Sunday 8:30 & 11:00am, 5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Friday 6:30am, Monday - Friday, 8:30am

Saturday 8:30am

St Matthias Church

1685 Cordilleras Road, Redwood City

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday evening vigil, 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Thursday 5:30pm

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Office Hours Mon - Fri., 9:00am - 4:30pm

Sunday Parish Office, Rectory

8:00am - 1:00pm

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday, 3:30 - 4:00pm, or anytime by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday, 9:00am - 9:00pm